House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Minutes of Meeting 2019 Regular Session April 30, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Steve Carter, vice chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 9:28 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr., chairman

Representative Roy Daryl Adams

Representative Kendricks "Ken" Brass

Representative Terry R. Brown

Representative Stephen F. Carter, vice chairman

Representative A B Franklin

Representative Jerry Gisclair

Representative John E. Guinn

Representative Dorothy Sue Hill

Representative Frank A. Howard

Representative Ed Larvadain III

Representative H. Bernard LeBas

Representative C. Denise Marcelle

Representative Barbara M. Norton

Representative Vincent J. Pierre

Representative J. Rogers Pope

Representative Malinda B. White

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Barbara W. Carpenter

Representative Mark Wright

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ashleigh Clare-Kearney, attorney Glenn Fleming, attorney Angelique R. Mozee, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Beverly Vincent, sergeant at arms Nyla Rivarde, clerk

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

Representative Steve Carter offered a motion to impose the 3 minute rule. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Steve Carter, Terry Brown, Gisclair, Hill, Howard, Larvadain, Marcelle, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

House Bill No. 366 by Representative Gregory Miller

Representative Steve Carter announced that action on House Bill No. 366, which provides relative to the director of the board of commissioners for levee districts within the state, was voluntarily deferred.

House Bill No. 546 by Representative Bagley

Representative Steve Carter announced that action on House Bill No. 546, which eliminates the state inspection sticker requirement for certain vehicles, was voluntarily deferred.

House Bill No. 157 by Representative Stagni

Representative Stagni presented House Bill No. 157, which changes requirements for Class "E" temporary instructional permits.

Mr. Cary Koch, Driving School Association of Louisiana, 8660 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge, LA, (225) 907-5880, spoke in support of House Bill No. 157.

Mr. Bud Chauncy, Driving School Association of Louisiana, First Class D.S., 2710 Douglas Street, Bossier City, LA 71111, (318) 464-9692, spoke in support of House Bill No. 157.

Ms. Karen St. Germain, office of motor vehicles, 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 925-6281, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 157.

Ms. Staci Hoyt, office of motor vehicles, 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 270-1556, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 157.

Ms. Gisela M. Chevalier, J&G International Driving School, DSAL Member, 3402 Florida Avenue, Kenner, LA 90065, (504) 905-8639, spoke in support of House Bill No. 157.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 157 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 157 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Steve Carter, Adams, Terry Brown, Franklin, Gisclair, Hill, Howard, Larvadain, Marcelle, Norton, Pope, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 379 by Representative Jimmy Harris

On behalf of Representative Jimmy Harris, Ms. Staci Hoyt, office of motor vehicles, 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 925-6281, presented House Bill No. 379, which provides with respect to application of minors applying for driving privileges.

Representative Pierre offered a motion to report House Bill No. 379 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 379 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Steve Carter, Adams, Terry Brown, Franklin, Gisclair, Hill, Howard, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

Witness cars submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 394 by Representative Carmody

Representative Carmody presented House Bill No. 394, which provides for the Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program.

Mr. Thomas Clark, Department of Transportation and Development, office of multimodal commerce, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 242-4544, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 394.

Mr. Erich Ponti, Louisiana Asphalt Association, 666 North Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 927-9737, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 394.

Mr. Chance McNeely, Louisiana Motor Transit Authority, 4838 Bennington Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (318) 518-5367, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 394.

Representative Franklin offered a motion to report House Bill No. 394 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 394 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry

Landry, Adams, Terry Brown, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Hill, Howard, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

Witness cars submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support, and 3 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 415 by Representative Terry Brown

Representative Terry Brown presented House Bill No. 415, which provides relative to driver's license reinstatement.

Mr. Stephen A. Quidd, office of motor vehicles, P.O. Box 66614, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (225) 925-6103, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 415.

Representative Franklin offered a motion to report House Bill No. 415 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 415 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Steve Carter, Adams, Franklin, Gisclair, Hill, Howard, LeBas, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

Chairman Terry Landry in the chair.

Representative Brown recognized the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers to the committee.

The committee stood at ease at 10:12 a.m. The committee reconvened at 10:17 a.m.

House Bill No. 580 by Representative Duplessis

Representative Duplessis presented House Bill No. 580, which provides relative to ignition interlock devices for DWI offenders.

Ms. Valerie Cox, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), 2644 South Sherwood Forest, Baton Rouge, LA, no zip code provided, (225) 926-0807, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Lorraine Bradley, MADD, 6725 St. Ann Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70811, (225) 285-1091, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Julie Vezinot, MADD, 6061 Evans Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70801, (337) 794-4189, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Barbara Dartez, MADD, 4014 Tuten Drive, Lake Charles, LA 70605, (337) 474-4322, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Marcella C. Charles, MADD, P.O. Box 213, Lake Charles, LA 70602, (985) 290-6552, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Josephine Rodrigue, MADD, 150 Shady Arbor Circle, Apt. 28B, Houma, LA 70360, (985) 226-3574, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Kelley Dair, MADD, 2409 Marengo Street, New Orleans, LA 70115, (704) 941-0654, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Ms. Donna Tate, Coalition of Ignition Interlock Manufacturers, 16913 Sunset Point Court, Baton Rouge, LA 70815, (225) 287-6850, spoke in support of House Bill No. 580.

Representative White offered a motion to report House Bill No. 580 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 580 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Adams, Brass, Terry Brown, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Hill, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 5 in support, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 278 by Representative Mack

Representative Mack presented House Bill No. 278, which provides relative to restricted driver's licenses of certain individuals whose vehicles are equipped with ignition interlock devices.

Mr. Stephen A. Quidd, office of motor vehicles, P.O. Box 66614, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (225) 925-6103, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 278.

Representative Pope offered a motion to report House Bill No. 278 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 278 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Adams, Brass, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Larvadain, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Norton offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Adams, Brass, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Larvadain, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Terry C. Landry, Sr. House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date adopted: